Actions to Achieve Compliance

In an effort to maintain compliance with EPA regulations, we stemmed LSIFO for the MV Faaborg at Houston with supplier Total Petro; their initial testing indicated a sulfur level .955% and that is what was reported on the BDR. In the course of the voyage, it was revealed by Vessel Owners' bunker sample testing that the sulfur content of the LSIFO taken in Houston exceeded the limits set by the EPA. The Owners' sample tested 1.34%. We immediately ordered the supplier's sample to be tested and, on 6 March 2013, it was revealed that the supplier's sample tested 1.12%. Unfortunately, the vessel only has two IFO tanks and both have bunkers in them. As a result, we are unable to supply the vessel with compliant fuel oil prior to or during her upcoming transit of the North American Emissions Control Area. Compliant bunkers will be supplied to the vessel at the first opportunity.